STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: Approval of Purchase: School Computer Replacements

ITEM NO: 3E

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MEETING: April 6, 2004
ACTION DATE: April 6, 2004

ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT: That the Stafford County School Board approve the purchase of 210 desktop computers from Sigma Systems Corporation, to replace instructional computers currently in use at Moncure (100) and, Rockhill (110) Elementary Schools. Total estimated cost of this purchase will be $220,290.00.

KEY POINTS:

- The computers slated for replacement at these schools have not been significantly upgraded since 1997. They are incapable of supporting modern operating systems and current software, and thus are instructionally limiting.

- The elementary school replacements are in conjunction with the schedule outlined in the Stafford County Integrated Technology Plan (2004 - 2010). Follow-on replacements for the other elementary schools will continue next fiscal year.

- The installation plan follows the successful example set at SES (3/12-3/15). Our goal is to ensure installation causes minimum instructional impact, thus installation will occur on a Friday afternoon-Saturday schedule or during spring break.

- Desktop computers will be purchased from Sigma Systems, under Montgomery County Public Schools (Maryland) IT Contract.

- Purchase price from Sigma includes full warranty (three year parts and labor onsite, plus an additional two years depot repair on CPU), as well as installation, setup, engineering support and packing material disposal.

- Funding for the elementary upgrades is provided under the SOL Technology Initiative through the Virginia Public School Authority (VPSA).

SCHOOL BOARD GOAL: 2. Integrate technology in support of all instruction.

FUNDING SOURCE:

Sigma Systems	040 6180 639 6028 VPSA	$220,290.00

AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE: VPSA